...ousewife Keeps Busy Corresponding With 29,000 Women

TOLEDO, Ohio-How would you like to keep up a regular correspondence with 29,000 women you've never seen?

That's a regular routine for a Toledo woman who deals with 29,000 American homemakers serving as "consultants" for her husband's market research firm.

The woman is Mrs. Record Trumbull, vice president of National Family Opinion, Inc., which has its headquarters in downtown Toledo and an office in New York City. She's "Mrs. Trumbull" to the firm and "Clara" to her husband who founded the business 10 years ago, but to homemakers in Council Bluffs, Iowa; Craig, Colo.; Blue Mound, Ill.; Los Angeles; Chicago; Miami; Brooklyn, and thousands of other communities across the country, she's "Carol Adams."

She's the woman to whom homemakers speak their minds confidentially about packages they don't like, a new jelly that someone plans to place on the market, an improved sewing machine, and many other products.

The "consultants" are not paid, Mrs. Trumbull explains, but seem to find a special kind of pleasure in being able to tell American business firms what they like and very often dislike about their products.

Because Mrs. Trumbull, via her "Carol Adams" pen name, can speak to homemakers on a chatty, informal level, get "straight from the shoulder" opinions about products before they are placed on the market, and guarantee her consultants that they will remain anonymous, National Family Opinion has no difficulty obtaining information it asks in behalf of its clients.

Dinosaurs Once Dominated Earth

WASHINGTON-Dinosaurs were the dominant animals on earth for approximately 130,000,000 years. Man and his more or less human-like forerunners have been here, at the most, less than 2 million years, and all human history covers a maximum of little more than 10,000 years. The earliest animal like creatures date back hardly more than 150 million years.

The story of this long supremacy of a race of extinct reptiles, which first appeared 200,000,000 years ago and persisted to the dawn of the age of mammals about 70,000,000 years ago, is told by Dr. David H. Dunkle, of the Smithsonian Institution's Division of Vertebrate Paleontology, in a 24-page illustrated booklet published by the Institution.

These reptiles, whose nearest extant relatives are the vastly different birds and crocodiles, included the largest creatures ever to inhabit the land. Some of them, however, were no bigger than chickens. During their long tenure of existence they undersent fantastic variations. Many walked upright on their hind legs. Some got about on all four legs. Some developed heavy suits of bony armor.

U. S. Pays 80 Billions To States, Individuals

NEW YORK-The Federal Government has paid a total of $80½ billions to States as grants-in-aid and to individuals in the States over the 23-year period from 1934 to 1956, inclusive, according to a study recently made public by the Congressional Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures, of which Senator Harry F. Byrd is chairman.

Some 60 per cent of this total, adding up to $49½ billions, went to individuals, with payments to States and local units making up the balance. Veterans were the leading recipients in the individual sector, receiving an aggregate of $16½ billions in the 1934-56 period.

A total of more than 125 programs were involved in these payments. In general, the trend of these outlays has been up except for veterans, who received their biggest payments from the Federal Government in the 1946-52 period.

British to Give Extra Pay to Cut-Off Soldiers

LONDON-The British Government recently announced that military men who lose their jobs through the streamlining of the armed forces would be given going-away grants as high as $16,800.

The amounts vary with rank and length of service, the figure above representing the amount that would go to colonels with 15 years' service.

All the grants would be tax free and in addition to normal retirement pay and terminal grants previously paid.

Britain plans to slash its armed forces from 680,000 men to 375,000 men within the next five years.

HOSPITAL CARE FOR VETERANS

The latest Veterans Administration fact sheet says that veterans requiring emergency hospitalization may be taken directly to the nearest VA hospital, but that if at all possible arrangements should be made beforehand by telephone or telegraph.

The proper method is to have the patient's doctor call the nearest hospital because sometimes the family becomes greatly alarmed over a case of hysteria or a blackout spell, whereas the family doctor can distinguish between a true emergency and a temporary episode.

Where there is no emergency, an application on the regular VA form serves to put the veteran's need before the VA hospital equipped to furnish the care required.

The priorities for admission to a VA hospital are:

(1) Those needing hospitalization because of injuries or disease incurred in line of duty in active service during any war;

(2) Those with wartime service discharged for disability incurred in line of duty or receiving compensation for service connected disability who need hospital care for a condition not connected with their service; and

(3) Those with wartime service who were not discharged for disability incurred in line of duty or who have no service connected disability, but only if the VA hospital authorities deem hospitalization necessary, if beds are available and if they state under oath that they are financially unable to pay hospital charges elsewhere.

Farmers Given Reminder About Middleburg Schools

Here's another reminder to livestock men and dairymen to circle the dates February 19 and 20 on their calendars.

Those are the dates of the annual pasture schools to be held at Middleburg. The first day, Wednesday, February 19, will be of interest primarily to livestock farmers, and will feature discussions on feeding, pasture management, and weed control. The second day will be of interest mainly to dairymen.

The sessions will begin at 9:45 A. M. at the Middleburg community center. Last year both days will be a tour of experiments at the Northern Virginia Pasture Research Station near Middleburg.

FEBRUARY IS PRUNING TIME FOR VINEYARDS

The best time for pruning in the home vineyard is from the middle of February until the buds swell, say VPI horticulturists.

They point out that grape vines must be pruned annually to reduce the amount of wood and limit the amount of foliage, keep the vine off the ground, expose the fruit to light and air and permit more thorough spraying.

The specialists explain that fruit is borne on shoots developing on one-year wood or canes. Vines should be pruned to train the trunk and arms so the remaining amount of old wood supports the desirable new wood.

AREA FRUIT SCHOOLS

A series of area "fruit schools" for Virginia orchardists is beginning this week.

The fruit growers will hear discussions by staff members from VPI on increasing orchard efficiency, orchard management and mechanization, pest control, storage, and marketing.

County agricultural agents are the local contact men and can give details on meeting places and times.

"FORESTS AND WATERS" ARE SUBJECT OF ANNUAL MEETING

The 13th annual meeting of Virginia Forests, Inc., to be held at the Jefferson Hotel in Richmond this week, will have "Forests and Waters" as its theme for both the morning and afternoon programs.

National F. F. A. Week will be observed later this month.

Protect our forests and replant to safeguard the future.

Play safe — drive carefully.

Dr. J. E. Walmsley, professor of Longwood College, dies at age of 85.

Another ten per cut cut to make further dent in income of the area dark tobacco farmers.

On Feb. 7, 1800, the USS Essex, while en route to Batavia, to escort a convoy of merchantmen to the United States, buttered beets, corn bread, [illegible] pt. milk.

On Feb. 15, 1890, the battleship USS Maine was sunk by an underwater explosion at Havana, Cuba. Of the 350 man crew, 260 were lost.

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Father Darkleaf

by c. h. r.

...en still die with their boots on in our time, it is usually on the ...erator.

...mes change. Our grandparents a farm. Our parents had a garage. We have a can-opener.

...lse remark of a child, looking ...at the starlit skies: If Heaven ...s wonderful on the bottom, ...k how it must look on the other ...

...e following phases are much in ...Who was the author of each ...?

...ve the devil his due.

...pack of troubles.

...t the worst come to the worst.

...finger in every pie.

...very dog has his day.

...wild goose chase.

...swer: the above are from Don ...cote, written some 350 years ...by Miguel de Cervantes.

...here are precious few wives, diet ...dict, who don't appreciate a ...box of candy on Valentine Day.

...bout the worst trick you could ...on someone away from home ...mail them a copy of the home-...a newspaper — with one news ...y clipped out and missing.

...nnouncement that Senator Harry Flood Byrd will not be a candi...for another term, will cause ...many friends here to recall his ...association with Appomattox. ...g time ago he spent many days ...the old Flood estate at Vera. ...was a close associate of the late ...r. Byrd was Governor of Vir...a while I was in college in the ...of Richmond. I was present at ...ial... as an honorary mem... of my college fraternity, Sigma ...Epsilon. He was one of the Old ...inion's younger Governors, and ...one of the best. He drove his ...car to Richmond, wearing a ...y hat. He won the battle for ...pay-as-you-go" road building pro... I recall an occasion when the ...Senator Ferguson aptly spoke ...Harry Byrd as, "Upright, down ..., and all right."

...hose who have been to his home ...Berryville, and seen the wonder...apple orchards on his estate, ...followed the policies of his fine ...rnor at Winchester, realize ...t he is an outstanding business ..., a successful farmer, and a ...ckman and charming Virginia ...leman.

...few men in the U. S. Senate are ...der to replace than Harry Byrd. ...to doubt many names will be of...ed before election time. But this ...spaper already has a candidate! ...will do all possible to urge ...pomattox's Watkins M. Abbitt ...Senator Byrd's successor. But ...will go into that later. Today, ...merely wish to commend Harry ...Byrd as one of the great public ...ures of his generation, and to ...nk him for his long service.

Change Vaccination Rule

...A report received this week from ...State Veterinarian advises that ...er February 15, 1958, the Fed...l government will not pay veter...rians for the cost of calfhood ...cination services. However, the ...te will continue to furnish the ...cine at no cost to veterinarians. ...This service is being discontin...d because of certification work ...w being conducted in 43 coun...s.

...This vaccine is used for control ..."Bangs." All cattle owners should ...e careful thought to the idea of ...ving all breeding animals, 4 - 8 ...nths of age vaccinated.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA MENU

...Feb. 17.- Cream of tomato soup, ...sh crackers, baked potato, apple ...ces, hot ginger bread, 1-2 pt. ...lk.

...Feb. 18.- Chili con carne, string ...ans, buttered beets, corn bread, ...illo, 1-2 pt. milk.

...Feb. 19.- Hot dog on roll with ...rcesing, cole slaw, macaroni and ...eese, ice cream, 1-2 pt. milk.

...Feb. 20.- Hamburger on bun, po...to chips, green peas, cherry roll, ...2 pt. milk.

...Feb. 21.- Vegetable stew with ...crackers, 1-2 pimiento cheese sand...ch, blue plums, cookies, 1-2 pt. ...lk.

Abbitt On List Mentioned To Succeed Byrd

A. H. S. Loses

After breezing along undefeated in the current basketball season, the Appomattox High School Blue Hornets finally lost one last Friday night to Gretna H. S. Appomattox had previously nosed out Gretna here, but went down in the return game. However, A. H. S. was still at the top in league standings, and bounced back Tuesday night to win from Rustburg.

Three more games remain on the schedule, Nelson County H. S. will be met, there, Friday night. William Campbell comes here Feb. 18, and A. H. S. goes to Amherst Feb. 21.

ASSEMBLY NEARS ACTION ON VITAL LEGISLATION

Richmond, Feb. 10.- A smooth session of the Virginia General Assembly neared final action this week on one phase of Governor Almond's school program while awaiting a report from the Home Appropriations Committee on proposed allocation of funds.

The Governor's so-called "Little Rock Bill" to close any public school patrolled by uninvited federal troops or law enforcement officers reached the House floor with assurance of speedy passage. The Senate already has approved the bill, which was recommended by the Governor in his inaugural message.

The Appropriations Committee, apparently with some of its major problems pretty well settled, hoped to have the Budget Bill in shape for consideration by the House by the end of the week. It appeared one major obstacle was cleared last week when a subcommittee and Governor Almond agreed on additional funds for schools in the amount of $5,275,000 that would permit a further salary boost for teachers of $50 each of the next two years. This would have the effect of increasing the state guaranteed scale to $2550 - $3750 the first year of the new biennium and to $2650 - $3850 the second year, compared with the present $2400 - $3,600 and the $2600 - $3800 recommended by former Governor Stanley. In other words, Governor Almond would add $50 to the Stanley scale.

Another major item on this week's agenda is a public hearing February 12 before the House Finance Committee on Delegate Sam Pope's 2 per cent sales tax bill. The Governor and many Assemblymen oppose a sales tax, in any form, at this time, and observers predict the bill may never emerge from Committee. However, advocates expect to have a large group of supporters to appear in support of the bill, primarily as a source of additional revenues for the localities.

Governor Almond sent another part of his legislative program to the Assembly in the form of a bill to reorganize the Department of Conservation and Development into a Department of Conservation and Economic Development, with added emphasis on industrial development. Delegate John Warren Cooke, of Mathews, floor leader of the House, headed the patrons on the bill. The Governor proposed that a new division of Industrial Development be established in the Department to carry forward all phases of industrial